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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

- 1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:
  - () Previously submitted:
    - () Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on .
    - () Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
  - (X) Enclosed:
    - (X) Amendment/Reply
    - () Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - () Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - (X) Return Postcard
- 2. Miscellaneous:
  - (X) Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months).
- 3. Fees:
  - (X) RCE fee (\$370 small entity/\$740 large entity)
  - (X) Fee for suspension (\$130)

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- (X) Fee for one additional claim (\$9)
- (X) Extension of Time fee:
  - () One Month (\$55/\$110)
  - () Two Month (\$200/\$400)
  - (X) Three Month (\$460/\$920)
- 4. Payment:
  - (x) Check in the amount of \$969.00 to cover the above fees.
  - (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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# AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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#### Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 4, 2002 (Paper #10) and in connection with the Request for Continued Examination submitted herewith, please amend the above-referenced application as indicated below:

### **IN THE CLAIMS:**

# Please amend the following claims:

17. (Twice Amended) An agricultural composition as claimed in claim 1, further comprising at least one component selected from the group consisting of surfactants, foaming agents, emulsifiers, pesticides, and fertilizing components.

21. (Twice Amended) A composition of claim 1, diluted with water to a concentration below a thresh-hold in which there is significant herbicidal action, wherein the diluted composition is for use as a pesticide.

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